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Theatre: Justine Johnston in "A  
Heart To Let." Kowloon Theatre:  
"The Furnace."

January 27.—Dancing at Palace  
Hotel with Band from H.M.S. Titania's  
Jazz Quartet 9 p.m.

January 29 and 30.—Theatre  
Royal: The World's Greatest Pianist  
"Leopold Godowsky."

January 31.—Bandman's Eastern  
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Hawaiian Troubadours: Booking  
opens to-morrow.

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January 29.—Hughes and Hough,  
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SPORTING EVENT.

January 27.—Theatre Royal: Box  
ing Tournament.

February 19.—St. Andrew's Church  
Men's Association Annual Marathon  
Race at 4 p.m.

February 28.—First day of Jockey  
Club's race meeting.

March 1.—Second day of Jockey  
Club's race meeting.

March 2.—Third day of Jockey  
Club's race meeting.

March 3.—Fourth day of Jockey  
Club's race meeting.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

February 3.—The Bank of East  
Asia meeting at Co's office, 10 Des  
Voeux Road, 3.30 p.m.

February 10.—Humphreys Estate  
and Finance Co., annual general  
meeting at Hongkong Hotel, 10.30  
a.m.

February 13.—Hongkong and Can-  
ton, Macao Steamboat Co., meeting at  
Co's office, 5, Des Voeux Road, noon.

FLOWER SHOW.

February 22.—Annual flower and  
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## SCENE IN COMMONS.

LABOUR MEMBERS DEFEAT  
THE SPEAKER.

There was an extraordinary scene  
in the House of Commons when  
Labour members made a violent  
attack on the Government.

Mr. Lansbury asked that the House  
should be allowed to remain in ses-  
sion until some means had been found  
of relieving the distress of the un-

employed, and also that the House  
should be given time to discuss a  
grant of £10,000,000 in aid of the  
districts which have been most  
severely hit by the burden of un-

employment.

"The answer to both questions is  
in the negative," said Mr. Bonar Law  
quietly.

"Is he aware that there is very  
great indignation against the callous  
indifference of this House and the  
Government," began Mr. Lansbury,  
and that was the signal.

For a while the air was a confused  
babel of shouts and interjections  
from the crowded benches behind  
him, while from the other side of the  
House there were loud cries of  
"Order!" and "Withdraw!"

Mr. Clynes—who was evidently  
anxious to calm the storm that was  
rising—put another question to the  
Prime Minister.

"Can the right hon. gentleman not  
see his way to extend the session so  
as to provide increased benefits for  
the unemployed?" he asked.

The Prime Minister had nothing  
new to say. "I put it to the right  
hon. gentleman that we do mean to  
do our utmost for the unemployed,"  
he said.

BREACH OF ORDER.

The storm broke again. Mr. Max-  
ton, one of the new men from Glasgow  
sprang up excitedly. "Did not the  
working classes in Central Glasgow  
believe that his return to the House  
would mean immediate dealing with  
the question of unemployment?" he  
shouted.

"Yes, and they were right,"  
retorted the Prime Minister, and at  
this point the Speaker rose to call the  
next question.

But Mr. Maxton remained standing.  
"You have done nothing to relieve  
unemployment," he shouted, pointing  
his finger at Mr. Bonar Law.

There were deafening shouts of  
"Order" from the Ministerial benches,  
and above the din Mr. Jack Jones  
screamed: "Oh! We won't be shouted  
down! If you start howling, we can  
howl back!"

Then Mr. Scrymgeour, the "Pussy-  
foot" senior member for Dundee, took  
a hand in the smacking game.

"The hon. member must not be on  
his feet when the Speaker rises,"  
he said.

But it ended the storm.

## SMOKING TO BREATHE.

CIGARETTES HELP EVEREST  
CLIMBERS.

Captain G. Finch, of the Mount  
Everest Expedition, speaking at a  
meeting of the Royal Geographical  
Society mentioned the comfort of  
cigarettes, smoking at very high  
altitudes.

He said that when he and two  
other members of the expedition  
camped at 25,500ft they suffered from  
lack of air, and in desperation lit  
cigarettes. After deeply inhaling the  
smoke they found they could take  
their minds off the question of  
breathing altogether.

Captain Finch said he wore four  
units of underclothing and an  
elaborately quilted coat as a  
protection against the intense cold,  
and added: "I am quite certain  
myself that the next assault upon  
Mount Everest will see the mountain  
conquered."

Professor Haldane said the effect  
of the cigarette smoking was probably  
due to the carbon monoxide in the  
smoke, as it was possible a little  
carbon monoxide at such altitudes  
would buck one up.

said Mr. Whitley, addressing the two  
excited M.P.s.

"Oh, I know that," yelled Mr.  
Scrymgeour, "but this is serious. It  
is a blackguardly business."

Mr. Lansbury, Mr. Kirkwood,  
Mr. Maxton, Mr. Newbold, were all  
on their feet, and Mr. Kirkwood, who  
has a high-pitched voice, managed to  
make himself heard for a moment.

"SEND FOR MUSCOLINI!"

"He has done nothing to justify  
his existence," he screamed, shaking  
his fist at the Prime Minister.

"Send for Mussolini," came a yell  
from somewhere under the gallery.

Then the Speaker was again heard.  
"Members have promised to 'buy the  
chair,' he said. 'I look to them.'"

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald obviously  
did his best to restrain the wild men  
behind him, and after a while his  
remonstrances appeared to have some  
effect.

The Prime Minister again stepped  
to the bar.

"What I understand to be the  
question," he said, his voice so choked  
that he was almost inaudible in the  
gallery. "Is what have we done?"

We have explained our proposals at  
great length, and how can it be ex-  
pected that I can give a reply which  
non-members have not accepted when  
it was given in debate?"

There followed storm. Ministerial  
cheers at this mingled with shouts  
and cries from the Labour benches.

But it ended the storm.

## TYRANNOUS BAR.

DON'T GO TO LAW.

According to the Daily News a  
warning to the public to avoid litigation  
in the High Court, if they can,  
is given by the Law Reform Associa-  
tion.

If their grievances cannot be put  
right in the County Court they had  
better—according to the Association—  
bear the ills they have than fly to  
others that they know not of.

Mr. J. J. Young, secretary of the  
Association pointed out to the Daily  
News that people entering into  
litigation in the High Court place  
themselves in a position of great  
jeopardy. He based his statement  
on the facts that:

There is no defined legal code.  
English law is full of uncertainty.

A solicitor cannot carry a case  
through from beginning to end.

There is no Minister of Justice.

High Court fees have been raised  
to a prodigious amount.

Two County Court Judges, said  
Mr. Young, have recently com-  
mented on the scandal of the high  
cost of litigation, and an eminent  
Lincoln's Inn solicitor has said:

The Bar has ruined the profes-  
sion of the Law by its extortions.  
In one case counsel threatened to  
strike unless given an outrageous  
and exorbitant "refresher." If that  
were the honour of the Bar, it must  
have sunk pretty low.

"It is not surprising," continued  
Mr. Young, "that there are loud  
complaints by lawyers of the dearth  
of litigation, as only the most reck-  
less person would rush into law.  
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cally a denial of justice."

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, 29th January, to Tuesday, 13th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

JOHN ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 13, 1923.

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" Heart—Young Fat .. lb.

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" Oat Fish—Shu To Shu .. lb.

" Dog Fish—Hoi Man .. lb.

" Sola Oatfish—Shu Shu Yu .. lb.

" Yellow—Wong Shu .. lb.

" Frog—Tie Kai .. lb.

" Garoupa—Shak Pan .. lb.

" Gudgeon—Fak Kap Yu .. lb.

" Herrings—Tao Pak .. lb.

" Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap .. lb.

" Labrus—Wong Fa Yu .. lb.

" Loach—Wu Yu .. lb.

" Lobsters—Long Ha .. lb.

" Mackerel—Ohk Yu .. lb.

" Monk Fish—Hong Yu .. lb.

" Mullus—Tao Yu .. lb.

" Oysters—Shang Ho .. lb.

" Parrot Fish—Kat Kung Yu .. lb.

" Perch—Tao Lo .. lb.

" Pike—Fa Pan Fong .. lb.

" Plake—Pan Yu .. lb.

" Pomfret, Black—Hak Cheung .. lb.

" Pomfret, White, Pak Cheung .. lb.

" Prawns—Ming E .. lb.

" Ray—Pai Fa Shu .. lb.

" Rock Fish—Shak Hui Kung .. lb.

" Roach—Ohk Yu .. lb.

" Salmon—Ma Yu .. lb.

" Shark—Shu Yu .. lb.

" Skate—Po Yu .. lb.

" Ghrimps—Ha .. lb.

" Snapper—Lap Yu .. lb.

" Solos—Tao Shu Yu .. lb.

" Teuch—Wan Yu .. lb.

" Turbot—Tao Hui Yu .. lb.

" Turtles—Small fresh water .. lb.

" Tusk Yu .. lb.

**Poultry.**

	January 19, 1923.	June 1918.	June 1914.
Chickens—Kai .. lb.	48	30	31
" Capons, Small—Sin Kai .. lb.	45	28	30
" Capons, Large—Sin Kai .. lb.	48	28	30
" Ducks—Ap .. lb.	37	22	22
" Doves—Pan Kai .. lb.	18	18	18
" Eggs, Hen—Kai Tai (cooking) per doz .. lb.	22	18	18
" Eggs, Hen—Kai Tai (fresh) per doz .. lb.	22	18	18
" Fowls, Canton—Kai .. lb.	30	28	24
" Fowls, Hainan—Kai .. lb.	45	28	24
" Geese—Ngo .. lb.	38	24	24
" Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap .. lb.	45	20	20
" Pigeons, Hainan—Pak Kap .. lb.	45	20	20
" Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung .. lb.	60	60	60
" Turkeys, Hen—Fo Kai Na .. lb.	55	52	48
" Solos—Shu Tai .. lb.	1.1	1.1	1.1
" Pheasant—Shan Kai .. lb.	30	30	30
" Quail—Om Chen .. lb.	30	30	30
" Partridges—Ohe Ku .. lb.	80	80	80

**Fruits.**

Almonds—Hang Yan .. lb.	45	35	30
Apples, (California)—Kam Shan .. lb.	20	24	24
Bananas, (Bride's)—Macao—Shu .. lb.	4	4	4
Coconuts—Ye Tai .. lb.	12	10	10
Lemons, (America)—Kam Shan .. lb.	8	7	7
Lemons, (America)—Kam Shan .. lb.	8	8	8
Litchies, Dried, (small stone)—Kai Chi Lan .. lb.	35	25	3
Oranges, (Canton), Sweet—Shan .. lb.	13	10	10
Oranges, (Canton), Sweet—Shan .. lb.	13	10	10
Pears, (Canton), Cooking—Shu .. lb.	12	10	12
Peaches—Fa Shang .. lb.	12	10	12
Pineapples—Large—Hung Tai .. lb.	3	3	4
Plantains—Tao Chiu .. lb.	12	12	12
Pumpkins—Shan Lo Yu .. lb.	15	14	15
Walnuts—Hop To .. lb.	30	25	25
Grapes—Po Tai Tai .. lb.	30	25	25

**Vegetables, &c.**

Fruits.			
Almonds,—Hang Yan ..	.. lb.	45	35
Apples, (California),—Kam Shan			
	Ping Ho ..	20	24
Bananas, (bride's), Macao,—Een			
	Heng Chin ..	4	4
Cassabals,—Yang To ..			12



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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JAN. 26, 1923.

**MUI TAI CHIT WAR.**

That earnest folk can very often spoil their own cause by too much zeal, the Colony's anti-Mui Tsai champions are now showing. Doubtless they consider their dispute with the Chinese Chamber of Commerce serious enough, feeling that the bill now before the Legislative Council will be endangered unless they can discredit the opposition the Chamber intends to offer, at the second reading, through the two Chinese unofficial members. But does not the Anti-Mui Tsai Society's preferred policy, at this late stage, somewhat resemble the good old practice of flogging the dead horse? The qualifying "somewhat" is inserted because the horse is not yet quite dead; but, even so, it has not long to live and will assuredly pass out with the next Legislative Council meeting. Knowing this, the Society get rushing into a public chit war with the Chamber over a point which does not the least affect the broad question whether or not protective legislation is wise. Once the bill was introduced into the Council, as the *China Mail* has already pointed out, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, even with its fullest claims granted, was merely wasting time in seeking to have it defeated, for the official majority here has no choice but to bow to the instructions from Home under which the bill has been introduced. Obviously, if the official majority could defy these instructions the bill would never have been framed, because the Hongkong Government, even now, strongly denies that the Mui Tsai system amounts to slavery, and (as we have said before) saves its face by admitting that the system does tend itself to grave abuse. Consequently, the Chinese could have relied upon the Government enforcing the new

law with the least possible conflict, except of course, where grave abuse demanded its most rigid application. However, if the Chamber has made a mistake in opposing the bill, the other side has made an equally big mistake in rushing into the arena. Had the reform party ignored the opposition, yesterday's cancelled Legislative Council meeting would have been duly held, the two Chinese unofficial members would have been courteously heard, and then the bill would have become law through the official majority's vote. Thus, the Chamber having made the first mistake in opposing the measure, the matter could have ended quietly and decorously, likewise with the least offence to the Government which must obviously feel awkward, not to say humiliated, at having to father a measure it sought so long to evade. Instead of this dignified course being taken, the Anti-Mui Tsai Society's immoderate clamour has further roused the bill's opponents and made it impossible for the Government quietly to override the Chinese unofficial members' objections (some of which, from its own attitude, the Government presumably believes well founded). The Mui Tsai problem is admittedly very awkward. Consequently any attempt to deal with it must be made with the greatest care lest hardship result. Candidly admitting that the system lends itself to grave abuse, the Chinese Chamber should have been content to let the bill become law, even though its provisions went much further than they thought actual conditions warranted. The Anti-Mui Tsai Society, in turn, should have conceded that "too drastic an interference with long established social and economic conditions" might easily bring worse evils with starvation-the-alternative; and should accordingly have quietly allowed the Government to pass the bill, however inadequate it might seem in zealous eyes. Once the bill had become law practical experience would soon have shown whether its provisions were unworkable or harsh or too weak. Surely, even now, the rival factions might cease their bickering and reserve their energy for helping the Government to make the bill effective once it is passed. The problem, Heaven knows, is thorny enough.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

Only one case of enteric fever (Portuguese) was recorded in yesterday's return of notifiable diseases.

The site of the projected Peninsula Hotel at Kowloon is being boarded in and it is stated that building operations are to commence at an early date.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending January 13, 1923 amounted to 94,794 tons and the sales during the period to 69,409 tons.

The annual prize distribution of St. Paul's Girls' School takes place at the Y.M.C.A. at 3 p.m. on Saturday week (February 3). Mrs. Grace, wife of the Commodore, will give away the prizes.

H.M.S. "Iroquois" was commissioned at Devonport last month by Com. C. W. Tinson, preparatory to leaving for the China Station, to replace the surveying ship "H.M.S. Merlin."

An entertainment of solo, choral and orchestral items under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor, will be given on the 26th and 27th February by members of the Philharmonic Society at the Theatre Royal.

There will be a tea-dance at the Helena May Institute on Thursday next, February 1, at 5.30 a.m. Tickets, \$1 each, should be obtained beforehand from the Secretary who is at the Institute daily from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.—*Advt.*

The announcement has just been received in Shanghai of the marriage of Miss Marjorie Pfeiffer, formerly connected with the National Y.M.C.A. there, to Mr. James Kilgour Michie, Col mbo, on December 7. Mr. Michie is connected with the firm of Steel & Co., and is stationed at Rangoon.

The Hongkong Civil Service List for 1923 has now been published. Compiled in the Colonial Secretary's Office, it gives historical and statistical information relating to the Colony; particulars of our civil establishments; and the record of the public service of officers.

Mr. Mowbray S. Northcote, who has resided in the Colony for 30 years and has during most of that period been connected with the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Coy. Ltd. is to leave Hongkong early in March on retirement. He attended his last annual meeting in the capacity of secretary this morning.

The Chinese barbers of Shanghai are up in arms, and unless a change comes over the situation hair is likely to be flying in the near future remarks the *N. Y. Daily News*. The local hairdressers' Association has received information that the Japanese Government, in accordance with the provisions of the new Health Act, is returning 7,000 Chinese barbers to China, and accordingly it has resolved to ask the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to lodge a protest with Japan.

The engagement is announced of Captain Bartram W. Parker, late Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment, only child of Mr. J. H. P. Parker of Shanghai, and of Mrs. Parker, Charles Street, S.W., and Jessie (Cissie) H. B. Morris, only daughter of the late Colonel John Morris and Mrs. Morris, Simla Court, Lansdowne Place, Cheltenham, and granddaughter of the late Sir John Morris, Bart., Sketty Park, Glamorgan-shire. The wedding will take place shortly.

Mr. G. H. Davis, manager of the Yokohama branch of Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, has been appointed manager of the company's office in Singapore, and will leave for his new post in April. Mr. Davis has been a resident of Yokohama for about 14 years, and has been actively identified with several organizations. He has been a member of Christ Church choir, secretary of the Cricket Club and of the football sections of the Y.C. and A.C., as well as of several Masonic organizations.

The trial started before his Honour Sir Skinner Turner and a jury at Tientsin of Stephen Power, who is charged with stealing \$2,645 from the Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada and of embezzling three sums amounting to over \$1,190 from the same company. Mr. H. P. Wilkinson, Crown Advocate, with Mr. K. W. Mounsey, is appearing for the prosecution, and the accused is defended by Mr. R. T. Evans. Witnesses examined for the prosecution so far have included Mr. Archibald Matthews of the Peking branch of the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, Mr. R. B. Gitch of the bank's Tientsin branch, and Mr. Ascroft, resident secretary of the Sun Life.

**MY NEWYEAR DAY.**

(TOM WRIGHT STUFF.)

January 3.

To another journal in Malaya (*Straits Echo*) I have already contributed an essay dwelling on a curious adventure that I had on Jan. 1, 1923; but some of my Hongkong friends will want to be told of it, so here goes for another version. At Kuimuki on the island of Oahu, in the group that Captain James Cook discovered and named after his patron the Earl of Sandwich, I was on that day the guest of a Chinese gentleman who has a Hawaiian wahine to wife. Lunch was prepared and served after the fashion of his wife's folk. That's the story. Not much in that? Ah; but try to see us as we were, in the garden of bananas, papayas, guavas, plantains, hibiscus, oranges, and what-not, behind the wooden bungalow of my host. His wife's dark-skinned relations and friends, all helping with the preparations for the meal: the sweet potatoes, the bananas, the poi (porridge of taro root), the citrons, the various other fruits of a kindly earth; and the Pig, the great central figure at the feast, the cynosure. With his emptied interior exposed, the pig lay beside a hole in the ground of the shape and dimensions of a grave. It really was a grave, a grave whose victory is not questioned, since the body that descends into it doth rise again, glorified. Listen and learn, and envy if you must.

Near the grave is a wood fire in which red and glowing appear numerous chunks of lava. By that a pile of water. Opposite is a pile of the large, heavy leaves of the tree called "G." Dipping their hands into the pile of water the sacrificial ministers snatch the red-hot rocks and pack them into the interior of the pig. Imagine the steam, the odour. It does not persist long. Into the grave, paved and lined with the cool (and perhaps non-conducting?) foliage mentioned, they lower the pig. More it leaves are covered over it, and over the whole goes earth. Smoking and joking together, and drinking things that are more elevating than lawful, we squat round and wait. How long? I did not notice. Unlike the sun with the poetic legend, it is the pleasant hours that I forget to count. Suffice it that I saw the resurrection of the body, and felt, smelt, and tasted that which would have made Charles Lamb re-tell it greater length and with more gusto the history of roast pork.

Would you call it roast or baked? No matter. The pig's the thing, the transmogrified, transcendental thing. I know the itch that Ella Lind, to make type somehow stabler, to make the reader slumber and sigh, in Lamb's tale a Chinese home had to burn before men learned the glad tidings that into the world pork had come. A comely tale, and as plausible as most "origins" that philosophers have guessed and propagated as truths. More plausible, thought I, picking my teeth, and privately regretting the mean capacity of my stomach, might be, so far as these islands are concerned, a tale of volcanic eruption, of lava heated not by men but by Pluto, of a straying porker getting his hooves entangled in the molten stream. How a group of primal Polynesians, wandering by, first sniffed that gracious odour, drew high to the easily ascertainable source of it, and how thereafter events, followed as in the Chinese history—so would the newer version go. But if the advent of the pig was contemporaneous with that of Captain Cook, as somewhere I have read that it was, the notion of any primal, much less Promethean, origin must be reluctantly relinquished. They may even have learned to cook from Cook, rather than from Vulcan. And yet not so that, for whatever these guileless cannibals in pre-porker times may have called their piece de resistance, they cooked in like fashion that which was later to be dubbed "long pig." So after all, with some slight and tragic alteration, our guests may have truth in it, and Pluto's kitchen first have sent forth those advertising scents. His friend entrapped in the lava, our primal chief put forth his hands to draw him forth. He clapped his scorched fingers to his mouth for relief, and—quite so, the subject begins to be unpleasant, and to cast, as the reporters say, a gloom over the season's happy theme.

But O, my dears, I do wish you could have tasted that pig.

The marriage has taken place in Koba of Mr. L. H. Lovely and Miss Margaret Farbridge. The ceremony was held at All Saints' Church, and the bride was given away by her father, Mr. J. W. Farbridge. Miss Daisy Mansbridge was bridesmaid, while Miss Chiquita Paske-Smith was train bearer. Mr. W. D. Blatch was best man, and the ushers were Messrs. H. S. G. Lait, F. Deane Smith, F. A. W. Handley, G. Russell, E. C. Richards, J. C. Marks and O. R. Kerr. The honeymoon is being spent at Peking.

**CRICKET.**

NOTES AND COMMENT.

SEASON'S AVERAGES.

The surprise of last Saturday's league matches was C.R.C.'s victory against Craigengower, in spite of the latter's strong team. As anticipated the I.R.C. v. Kowloon and Club v. Navy games were left drawn on account of the batsmen mastering the bowlers. In remarking this one should note that there was very little in the condition of the wickets to help the run-ners. University, although they scored home against the R.G.A. did not give a convincing display. Rather, one is given the impression that with the exception of the few mainstays, the team is rather mediocre and on the form of last Saturday, their run of successes might be brought to a halt especially when one recalls the way in which the Civil Service beat them in a "friendly" short time ago. The two second league games were rather one-sided.

As to the prospects of the clubs participating in the two divisions of the league, viewed from the point of the positions occupied at present in the Tables and previous showing, a number of teams can already be considered out of the running. Last Saturday's games went a long way towards completely ruining the chances of some of the teams. In the junior division, the wooden spoons' position will either be filled by the Civil Service or Kowloon 2nd XI.—it will probably be decided by to-morrow's match—with the other four clubs in the running for the premiership. The R.E.'s, at one time tipped as likely champions, will practically have to win every remaining match to come out on top. When the University 2nd XI. has played off two or three more fixtures, the position will be clearer.

R.G.A., Navy and Kowloon, by failing to win their respective games last Saturday have lost their chance of winning the first league championship. Although the C.R.C. won they are in the same position. Of course, University are far ahead of other teams in the league and will be exceedingly difficult to catch up. Apparently, the Club and the Civil Service are their most dangerous rivals. The games between these three are not to be played till the latter part of the season, so inter-est ought to be sustained till the end.

The League Tables and Averages are compiled from results published in the Press to date. Should any fixtures be inadvertently omitted will some member of the team concerned kindly correct me?

Turning to the averages one is struck by the length of the batsmen's list. As I have said before, this is due partly to the fact that some batsmen have only played in two or three games and owe their inclusion or high position to one outstanding innings or one or two "not outs." For purposes of comparison, a batsman's aggregate and the number of innings he has had should be borne in mind. Some cricketers go further. They aver that a batsman's average is no index of his ability. The stage of the game, the condition of the wicket and the opposing side against whom the runs were scored should all be taken into consideration.

This week's list is especially long because of the number of batsmen who have now played in two innings and are therefore included. As the season progresses, unless they develop consistent form, some of them will drop out or occupy lower positions.

Although fifth in the list, A. A. Rumjahn, the University batsman, is pre-eminent. He has scored 254 runs in 5 games, being far ahead of any other bat. Capt. Davies of the R.G.A. is next with 203 runs made in 6 attempts. Other big scorers are Olliver (R.G.A.) 188 in 6, Quick (University) 155 in 5, Mid. Evans (Navy) 150 in 4 and Com. Wood 142 in 4 innings. Capt. Olliver has been remarkably consistent, getting double-figures every time. Hammond still has the highest aggregate in the second league, viz. 171 for 6 innings but he occupies an unprepossessing position in the list. A feature of the I.R.C. batsmen's records in both divisions is that with two exceptions everybody has one or more "not outs," evidence of inexhaustible patience, but not gratifying to the team when the first division results are scrutinized. Only one century has been compiled in the league to date—by Hammond.

Of the bowlers, Balhetchet is firmly established at the head of the first division list and he will have to fall badly before he is removed. One thing about the list is the absence of a number of regular bowlers' names, their places having been filled to some extent by the change bowlers. Capt. Davies with 27 to his credit has taken the

**REJECTING PUNCH'S ADVICE.**

SOME FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES.

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—  
Mr. W. H. Brown, clerk, Hongkong Hotel to Mrs. Golden Harrison Bottomley, of No. 611, Shanghai Street, Kowloon.  
Mr. Luka Chess, engineer of the s.s. "China" to Miss Marion Yeung, of No. 3, Arbutnot Road.  
Mr. L. M. Franco, of No. 14, Salisbury Avenue, Kowloon, to Miss Anna Maria Rosario, of No. 22, Queen's Road East.

most wickets in the league. O. Earnshaw and Townsend each have 23 wickets in the second league but they are closely followed by P. M. Arnall and H. D. Rumjahn. The fixtures of Saturday's bowling was a "hat-trick" by Phillipson for the club and a good performance by Cockell, a new man for the R.E., who should considerably strengthen the team. The best all-round results are those by A. A. Rumjahn and Capt. Davies in the first league and Peterson and H. D. Rumjahn in the second. Quick and S. H. Tansill, to a lesser degree, have also good figures to show.

To-morrow's fixtures (home teams given first) include:—

FIRST LEAGUE.  
H.K.C.C. v. R.G.A., C.R.C. v. Navy.

SECOND LEAGUE.  
Civil Service 2nd XI. v. Kowloon 2nd XI., University 2nd XI. v. I.R.C. 2nd XI.

FRIENDLY.  
K.C.C. v. Civil Service, I.R.C. v. University, Police v. Queen's College.

**LEAGUE BATTING AVERAGES.**

FIRST LEAGUE.

	No. of Innings	Aggregate	Highest Score	Average
Owen Hughes (H.)	108	60*	108.00	
Fincher (O.S.)	2	71	65*	71.00
A. E. Wood (C.S.)	2	65	65.00	
Claxton (H.)	2	121	87	60.50
A. A. Rumjahn (U.)	5	254	70	50.80
Com. Wood (N.)	4	142	68*	47.33
Webster (H.)	2	93	78	46.50
Sayer (O.S.)	2	88	49	44.00
Quick (U.)	6	155	81*	38.75
Mid. Evans (I.R.)	4	150	61	37.50
S. H. Ismail (I.R.)	4	103	63*	24.34
Davies (R.A.)	6	203	75	33.85
S. D. Ismail (I.R.)	4	100	51*	25.00
A. H. Madar (I.R.)	4	66	42*	33.00
Olliver (R.A.)	6	188	47	31.33
Grimes (Cr.)	2	62	51	31.00
Bacon (Inf.)	2	62	39	31.00
Benson (K.)	2	116	60	28.75
Omar (Cr.)	2	57	48	28.50
A. H. Rumjahn (I.R.)	3	84	38	28.00
Abbas (Cr.)	2	25	18	25.00
Chester (R.A.)	6	121	31*	24.20
Parcell (N.)	5	115	49	23.20
Skinner (N.)	3	44	42*	22.00
Hannay (Inf.)	2	42	30	21.00
O. Ismail (I.R.)	3	62	32	20.66
B. D. Evans (K.)	5	80	44	20.00
Bradbury (C.R.)	2	40	40	20.00

**SECOND LEAGUE.**

Peterson (U.)	2	104	94	52.00
H. D. Rumjahn (I.R.)	4	132	70*	44.00
Petheram (K.)	3	82	57*	41.00
D. Rumjahn (I.R.)	3	78	59*	39.00
Wahup (I.R.)	4	77	34*	35.50
Alexander (P.)	5	149	68	37.25
Hammond (R.E.)	6	171	100*	34.20
Redpath (R.E.)	4	114	55	28.50
R. Earnshaw (P.)	4	100	60	25.00
J. Ackbar (I.R.)	3	21	18*	25.00
Pearson (R.E.)	6	104	40	20.80
Edwards (K.)	5	103	35	20.60

**LEAGUE BOWLING AVERAGES.**

FIRST LEAGUE.

	No. of Wickets	Average
Balhetchet (U.)	24	4.96
Red (C.)	11	6.36
Hamilton (O.S.)	4	6.50
Quick (U.)	8	7.63
Hannay (Inf.)	8	7.88
Waller (N.)	10	8.50
S. H. Ismail (I.R.)	10	8.70
A. H. Madar (I.R.)	9	9.11
Sladen (N.)	3	9.33
Webster (H.)	3	9.66
Davies (R.A.)	27	9.74
A. A. Rumjahn (U.)	13	10.00
Ling (C.S.)	4	10.75

**SECOND LEAGUE.**

S. H. Ong (U.)	9	6.00
C. Earnshaw (P.)	23	7.52
F. M. Arnall (I.R.)	19	7.68
H. D. Rumjahn (I.R.)	15	7.80
Peterson (U.)	9	7.89
Cowan (O.S.)	12	9.23
Shenton (K.)	7	9.47
Townsend (R.E.)	23	9.57
Jacobson (R.E.)	7	10.14
Gardiner (C.S.)	13	11.18
Pearson (R.E.)	10	11.40
Watts (P.)	10	11.40

—W. P. C.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

A REJOINDER.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir—To a letter which appeared in your issue of yesterday, the Honorary English Secretary of the Anti-Mui Tsai Society while withdrawing as being not quite happy the expression that the Society for the Protection of Mui Tsai is but the creature of this Chamber gave certain "facts" upon which, he said, the expression was based.

One of these "facts" is that the "Protection" Society was proposed by a Committee member of this Chamber "at the famous meeting at the Tai Ping Theatre (30th July, 1921) presided over by the Chamber's Chairman." I am directed to point out that the meeting was convened by the late Mr. Lau Chu Pak and by Mr. Ho Fook in their capacity as Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council and not as members of this Chamber.

Another "fact" is that "the spade work was taken in hand by the Chamber." It is true that pending the appointment of an Honorary Treasurer, I agreed to receive subscriptions, with the consent of my Chairman; but I have noted that for many Associations in course of formation, including the Hongkong S.P.C.A. and League of N.-lowship, in so far as they affect Chinese membership.

I am not aware of the "fact" that the Chairman and Vice Chairman of this Chamber were elected Patrons of the Society. The Patron of the Society are the two Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council, while its Chairman is the Chairman of the Po Leung Kuk (the "old" year).

We do not deny that "a large number of the Chamber's Committee serve on the Committee of the 'Protection' Society," but Mr. C. G. Anderson has apparently forgotten that his own Chairman is himself a member of our Committee.

Mr. Anderson then proceeded to point out the "fact" that "out of the seven members of the Committee elected by the 'Protection' Society to advise with our representatives a scheme for the abolition of the Mui Tsai system," six are Committee members of this Chamber. It would interest you to know that of the Anti-Mui Tsai Society's representatives, two are also members of this Chamber. It is much to be regretted that the Anti-Mui Tsai Society should have found it necessary to make the statement to which we took exception, and afterwards to attempt to justify it in order to attain their own object. The "facts" they have given to justify that assertion are no facts at all. If they are sound arguments, then it may be said with equal force (and of course, equal absurdity) that the Anti-Mui Tsai Society is the creature of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. I am, Sir, Yours faithfully,

IP LAN CHUN.

Secretary

Hongkong, January 25, 1923.

**MUI TAI BILL.**

LABOUR PETITION DRAWN UP.

A sub committee of twenty was appointed by the recent labour meeting at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. to go into the details of the Mui Tsai Bill. It has now drawn up a petition to be presented to the Government to substantiate the resolution passed unanimously by the meeting. The petition has been submitted to the one hundred and fifty odd labour guilds all of which have "chopped" it. Inter alia, it requests the early passing of the Bill, emphasises the importance of the registration clause and recommends the establishment of an industrial home for liberated mui tsai.

An English translation of the petition was handed to the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sen on Wednesday for transmission to the Government.

**COMMERCIAL.****NAM PAK HONG QUOTATIONS.**

This morning's quotations for the chief commodities dealt in basis spot goods, usual guild terms are:—

FLOUR	
"Dayton".....	\$2.32
"White Greens".....	\$3.05
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# IN BROKERS' ALLEY.

## RICHES TRAFFIC PROBLEM.

### POLICE COURT PROSECUTIONS.

The coolie of the private riches belonging to Mr. G. P. Lammer, the broker and auctioneer, was charged by Mr. T. H. King, D.S.P., before Mr. R. E. Lindsay this morning with having had his number-plate obscured.

The driver pleaded that he had a licence and it was not obscured.

Mr. King explained that it was turned up horizontally instead of hanging down.

Mr. Lammer, who was in court in reply to a query by the Magistrate, said that the riches belonged to his firm. He went on to say that private riches numbers were merely hung on and not painted like public riches and, therefore, could easily be removed. Where riches were parked in a place like Lee House Street, anybody could come up from behind and easily knock it out of position. Mr. Lammer agreed that the number-plate might have been out of position but it was not obscured as this meant that it was covered by something which was not the case. Continuing, he said that such a small offence could have been rectified by telling him about it instead of taking out a summons. He had been 30 years in the Colony and had helped the Police on many occasions.

The Magistrate: Were you there at the time Mr. Lammer?

Mr. Lammer: No, but my brother was in the riches.

Mr. King said that at ten to eleven on the morning in question he passed a number of riches in Lee House Street, and they were three abreast. He told them to move on, which they did reluctantly. There was nobody in the riches at the time. The demerit of the defendant was such that he turned round to see whether it was a private or public riches. After walking down three yards, another coolie drove down and pulled the number-plate down but had to make such an effort that the plate bent. The coolie had really brought the trouble on himself by his own demerit.

Mr. Lammer contended that the plate was not in position was unintentional. He asked the Magistrate if, immediately after a motor accident, they would be held responsible for the plate being out of position.

The Magistrate: Not immediately afterwards.

To the coolie, Mr. Lindsay said that he was responsible for seeing that the plate was hanging down.

Mr. King told the Magistrate that the Police were not pressing for a heavy penalty.

The coolie was fined \$2.

# CHATER ROAD DANGER.

## READY FOR A FINE.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodhouse, D.S.P., charged the coolie of the private riches belonging to Mr. Mody, the exchange broker, with being on the wrong side of the road at Chater Road.

The D.S.P. said that these riches passed, when going from west to east, in using the right-hand side of Chater Road. Naturally, if any thing was coming from the direction of Lee House Street there was every likelihood of a collision. Mr. Wodhouse also said that about five seconds could be saved by this offence and that he noticed two more cases this morning in one of which there was nearly a collision.

The Magistrate asked if this was not rather more the fault of the broker than the coolie and Mr. Wodhouse agreed that it was.

His Worship asked the coolie whether his master had given him any money for the fine.

Defendant: Yes.  
His Worship: How much?  
Defendant: \$5.  
His Worship: Fined \$3.

# KOWLOON THEFT.

## A HOUSEBOY'S CAPTURE.

A youth employed by Mrs. Stewart, 23 Cameron Road, was charged before Mr. J. R. Woolf this morning with the theft of three pieces of clothing belonging to Mr. Robert Nichols, No. 3 Armand Buildings, Kimberley Road on Wednesday evening.

Sub-Inspector Spear said that the youth was arrested by a houseboy employed in the same building. His attention was drawn by the noise of thumping on a floor below—it was being done by his wife to raise the alarm—and in the ally behind he saw a man coming through the door of the basement across the backyard. The houseboy gave chase and brought him back to the station. When searched the defendant had three keys and a pair of pliers. It is alleged that the defendant wrenched a lock off the basement door to effect an entrance.

His Worship adjourned the case till Monday for further evidence.

# CANTON SITUATION.

## NEW CIVIL GOVERNOR.

### SUN ADHERENT APPOINTS HIMSELF.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, January 25.

Although the Kwangsi militarists dominate the Canton situation, Dr. Sun's adherents have succeeded in taking several important civil posts. Wu Han-min today entered the Civil Governor's mansion and has announced his assumption of the post. A labour procession of over one thousand strong gave him a wild come firing crackers all the way from their starting point. Young Sai ngam, probably on the strength of his undertaking to raise funds, has been permitted to be Finance Commissioner.

Small detachments of Kwangsi troops are still coming down from the West River daily, adding to the numbers already in Canton. Their leaders, have instructed the temporary Salt Commissioner one of the *portages* to remit \$100,000 for military expenses. The Commissioner, in turn, has asked the salt merchants for a loan. In spite of proclamations, bilking is still continuing. Gambling saloons are being added to in all parts of the city, the troops receiving a daily payment in return for protection and permission.

No further news has been heard about Dr. Sun's military subordinate Hu Shung-chi who was last reported with his troops at Shatow. General Chen Chung-ming's whereabouts are unknown and reports of his movements are conflicting. It is known, however, that several guerilla actions have taken place in the East River region with disastrous results to Chen. A small body of pro-Sun troops under Fong Sui-lun, an ex-Magistrate of the Ching Hai district and Tam Siu-wai, a returned student, have succeeded in threatening Shikung. The large city on the East River. By a surprise attack they captured Tang Sing and Lung Mun, the centre of the rice producing district. From here a planing movement was in towards Chung Fa where Chen's troops captured at an anti-aircraft machine.

These were subsequently absorbed into what is known as the "Eastern Circuit." Or even Merchants' anti-rebel Army and a march is projected on Shikung the key to Waichow where Chen's main camp is situated. In contrast to other soldiers who have passed through the district these troops are well disciplined and maintain order wherever they go.

# SUN COMING DOWN.

## Shanghai, January 26.

Sun Yat-sen, it is stated, leaves for Canton on Saturday.—Reuter.

# MOTOR DEATH.

## CHINESE BOY KILLED.

A fatal motor-car accident occurred at the junction of Caroline and Leighton Hill Roads, near the Nanyang Tobacco Factory, on Wednesday evening. The victim was a 4-year old Chinese boy.

The child was playing on the footpath with an elder brother. As motor car No. 373, owned by Mr. Ellis, was approaching, the two children attempted to cross the road in front of it. The driver swerved the car to the right and missed the elder boy, but the younger one was knocked down and run over. He received very shocking injuries from which he died soon afterwards, before reaching the French Hospital, near by.

# PEACE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP.

## SHANGHAI BOY'S SUCCESS.

The Peace Memorial Scholarship for Practical Farming and/or Horticulture has been awarded on the result of the Matriculation Examination held by the University of Hongkong in November 1922 to J. O. K. Marshall of the Public School for Boys, Shanghai.

The Scholarship is tenable by British boys of pure white descent on both sides one of whose parents has resided in China or Hongkong for at least three years and is of the total triennial value of £1215 sterling.

At the Central Police Station yesterday, an identification parade was held under the supervision of Mr. C. G. Perdue Director of Criminal Intelligence, in connection with the "Sui An" prison. The Chinese who was brought down from Shanghai by Detective Inspector Willis was paraded with about ten other men. One by one, a large number of witnesses were called to identify him but all, with the exception of one, failed to pick him out.

# DESTITUTE RUSSIANS.

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Jackie Arnold, the boy who was mauled by the circus cheetah a few days ago is in a worse condition than yesterday according to inquiries made at the Government Civil Hospital this afternoon.

The 26th ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, Ltd., will be held at St. George's Building on Saturday, February 10, at 11 a.m.

The installation of Dr. G. D. R. Black as District Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scottish Freemasonry in the district of Hongkong and South China will take place in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Wednesday, January 31 at 6.30 p.m.

# TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 6 Company Street, on SATURDAY the 10th of February, 1923, at 11 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Manager for the year ended 31st December 1922, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, the 1st February 1923 until Saturday, the 10th February, 1923, both days inclusive.

SEWELL, TOMES & CO., General Manager, Hongkong, January 26, 1923.

# MUSIC and SONG.

Under the Distinguished Patronage of HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR THE HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY WILL GIVE AN ENTERTAINMENT AT THE THEATRE ROYAL (CITY HALL) on the 26th & 27th February 1923.

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF SOLO, CHORAL, & ORCHESTRAL ITEMS BY THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY. BOOKING WILL BE OPENED SHORTLY.

# TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GRAND LODGE OF SCOTTISH FREEMASONRY IN THE DISTRICT OF HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA.

THE Installation of Dr. G. D. R. Black as District Grand Master will take place in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street on WEDNESDAY, the 31st Inst. at 6.30 p.m. Master Masons are invited to attend.

A. W. H. L. D. G. Secretary, Hongkong, January 26, 1923.

# STRUTHERS & BARRY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From SAN FRANCISCO and LOS ANGELES via JAPAN PORTS and SHANGHAI.

# THE Steamship.

"BEARPORT" having arrived from above mentioned ports Friday, January 26th, 1923. Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned or Delivery Orders issued.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, January 30, 1923, by Messrs. Anderson & Ashie, Marine Surveyors.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the Godowns and cargo undelivered after February 1st, 1923, will be subject to rent.

No Fire insurance whatever will be effected. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading in exchange for Delivery Orders immediately.

STRUTHERS & BARRY, Agents, U. S. S. B. Emergency Fleet Corporation, Hongkong, January 26, 1923.

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## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The B. F. s.s. "Aleinous" arrived at

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The B. F. s.s. "Mentor" left Port Said

on Jan. 21 for Havre, London and

Amsterdam.

The B. L. s.s. "City of Paris" which

sailed hence on Dec. 23 arrived at Mar-

seilles on the afternoon of Jan. 22.

The P. &amp; O. s.s. "Murea" left Singa-

pore for this port on Jan. 22 at noon with

the outward English Mails, and is due

here on Jan. 27 at about 6 a.m.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Sado Maru" (Cal-

cutta Line) left Kobe for Hongkong via

Port on Jan. 29 and is expected here on

Jan. 27.

The B. F. s.s. "Polina" from Liver-

pool left Singapore on Jan. 23 for this

port and is due here on Jan. 29.

The B. L. s.s. "Bertha" left Singapore

for this port on Jan. 14 at p.m. and is

due here on Jan. 30 at about p.m.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Takaka Maru"

(Bombay Line) left Bombay for Hong-

kong via Singapore on Jan. 13 and is

expected here on Jan. 21 at p.m.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Hakone Maru"

(European Line) left Singapore for

Hongkong on Jan. 25 and is expected

here on Jan. 30.

The B. F. s.s. "Helenus" left Liver-

pool on Dec. 31 for Swatow, Hongkong,

Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is

due here on Feb. 3.

The B. F. s.s. "Tulachius" left New

York on Dec. 6 for Swatow, Singapore,

Manila, Kobe and Hongkong and is ex-

pected to arrive here on or about Feb. 4.

The B. F. s.s. "Antipheus" left Liver-

pool on Jan. 9 for Hongkong, Shanghai,

Kobe and Yokohama and is due here on

or about February 8.

The C.P. s.s. "Emma" of

Australia left Vancouver for Hongkong

via Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila on

Jan. 18 and is due here on Feb. 8.

The B. L. s.s. "City of Simla" left

Suez on Jan. 21 and is due to arrive at

Hongkong on Feb. 12.

The P. M. s.s. "President Cleveland"

sails for San Francisco via Shang-

hai, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu on

Jan. 13 and arrives at San Francisco on

Feb. 12.

The B. F. s.s. "Agamemnon" left

Liverpool on Jan. 13 for Penang, Port

Swettenham, Singapore, Hongkong,

Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is

due here on or about Feb. 21.

The P. M. s.s. "President Pierce"

leaves Hongkong for San Francisco via

Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu

on Jan. 31 and arrives at San Francisco

on Feb. 22.

The B. F. s.s. "Eurybates" left Liver-

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"DELTA"	8,000	7th Feb.	at 7th Feb.
"KHIVA"	6,700	21st Feb.	at 21st Feb.
"SICHA"	6,700	23rd Feb.	at 23rd Feb.
"BANGA"	6,700	6th Mar.	at 6th Mar.
"MORRA"	11,000	7th Mar.	at 7th Mar.
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"KASHMIR"	6,700	21st Mar.	at 21st Mar.
"DOGOIA"	6,700	4th Apr.	at 4th Apr.
"SICHA"	6,700	14th Apr.	at 14th Apr.
"NARIN"	7,000	18th Apr.	at 18th Apr.
"KARNIA"	9,000	2nd May	at 2nd May
"KARNIA"	9,000	10th May	at 10th May
"NYANZA"	7,000	30th May	at 30th May
"NOVARA"	6,700	17th June	at 17th June
"DELTA"	8,000	27th June	at 27th June
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In an editorial note linking the  
name of Lady Elizabeth Bowes-  
Lyon with that of the Prince of  
Wales, whose engagement to her  
was recently announced and then  
officially denied, the *Star Observer*  
makes the following comments,  
which are equally applicable to the  
Duke of York to whom Earl Strath-  
more's daughter is engaged accord-  
ing to an official announcement:-  
"She (Lady Elizabeth) is a charm-  
ing little lady, pretty and clever,  
and very popular with the tenants  
on Glamis estate. The family are  
particularly fond of Glamis, and  
are to be found in residence there for a  
great part of the year. Glamis is a  
pretty little village on the Caledon-  
ian Railway, about six miles from  
the county town of Forfar. The  
castle stands about a mile from the  
station and commands a magni-  
ficent view of the surrounding coun-  
tryside, embracing the nearby  
Grampian Mountains. It is a fine  
example of the Scottish Baronial  
style, enriched with certain fea-  
tures of the French Chateau. In  
the present form it dates mostly  
from the 17th century, but the  
original structure was as old as the  
11th century. Several of the  
15th century wings, especially Alex-

ander III., used it occasionally as a  
residence. The hospitality of Glamis  
Castle is renowned, and the cricket  
week each year is looked forward to  
with great interest by the people of  
the district. Our last recollection  
of Glamis Castle is that of viewing  
it from the top of a dyke late one  
summer evening, while contemplating  
over a pipe, the best way to  
deal with a motor-break-down on  
the long hill that runs past the  
grounds, about half a mile from  
Glamis village, on the road to For-  
far.

## A HOPELESS CASE.

When Jones came down to break-  
fast the other morning his wife told  
him that all the electric bells in the  
house had stopped ringing. Would  
he call on his way to business to in-  
struct the electricians to see to them.  
Jones called, and was told a man  
would attend to the bells at once.  
When he returned home in the even-  
ing his wife upbraided him for his  
forgetfulness. No one had come to  
look to the bells.  
Anger in his heart and hot words  
on his tongue, he hurried off to the  
electrical firm and spoke all that was  
in his heart and mind.  
"But," protested the assistant, "a  
man went to your house immediately  
after you called. And he rang your  
bell for five minutes and could get  
no answer, so he came away."

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND  
PASSENGERS.

## VESSELS OUT.

FROM BANGKOK.

Feb. 6.-E. A. Banks.

FROM DALNY.

Feb. 4.-J. J. L. Tjebkembang.

FROM MANILA.

Feb. 12.-U.S.S.B. Dewey.

FROM BOMBAY.

Jan. 30.-N.Y.K. Takao Maru.

FROM JAVA.

Jan. 27.-J.C.L.L. Tjebkembang.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Jan. 27.-P. & O. Morea.

Feb. 12.-U.S.S.B. Dewey.

FROM CALCUTTA.

Jan. 27.-N.Y.K. Sado Maru.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Jan. 20.-E. & A. St. Albans.

Feb. 5.-E. & A. Eastern.

12.-A. O. Tjebkembang.

FROM PORTLAND.

Feb. 4.-Col. P. S. Pavelet.

7.-Col. P. S. Wawilona.

FROM NEW YORK.

Feb. 1.-B. F. Telenichus.

FROM YANCOUVER.

Feb. 8.-C.P.S. Empress of Asia.

10.-B. F. Achilles.

Mar. 11.-B. F. Tjebkembang.

Apr. 10.-B. F. Tjebkembang.

May 12.-B. F. Achilles.

Jan. 7.-B. F. Tjebkembang.

FROM SEATTLE.

Feb. 10.-B. F. Achilles.

Mar. 11.-B. F. Tjebkembang.

Apr. 10.-B. F. Tjebkembang.

May 12.-B. F. Achilles.

FROM LOS ANGELES.

Feb. 3.-U.S.S.B. Anna.

20.-U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

Feb. 3.-U.S.S.B. Anna.

20.-U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.

Jan. 27.-P. & O. Kalyan.

27.-B. I. Kalyan.

Feb. 1.-G. O. Chansana.

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## VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

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## OBITUARY.

## MR. DAVID WHITE.

We regret to state, says the N.C. Daily News of January 20, that a telegram was received in Shanghai yesterday announcing the death of Mr. David White, a well-known local resident. Death occurred about the 17th inst. "Gleniffer" on which Mr. White, along with Mrs. White, had left for Home only about a fortnight ago, and it is understood that the deceased has been buried at Bangkok whither the "Gleniffer" was bound.

Mr. White, who was a native of Barrow, near Glasgow, is understood to have spent some time in Manchester prior to coming to the Far East. As representative of a Manchester firm he had travelled widely in these regions during the past 20 years, his work taking him from Singapore to the Philippines and to the different ports in China. He



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## BURNS NIGHT.

## "THE IMMORTAL MEMORY."

REV. MR. MACONACHIE'S  
FINE SPEECH.

The Sons of "Scotland my land and my fatherland" as the motto phrased it, who are temporarily exiled from their native heath here in Hongkong did not allow Burns Night to pass last evening without a fitting celebration. In the Hongkong Hotel about 130 of them dined together and with song and speech and story paid appropriate tribute to the memory of the immortal bard.

The Chairman of the Society, Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen presided over the gathering, and with him at the principal table were the following: The Hon. Mr. Chaudhury, C.M.S., Mr. A. O. Lung, the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, Mr. F. B. Marshall, Dr. C. Forsyth, Dr. G. D. R. Black, Mr. J. H. G. Brown, Mr. W. Nicholson, Mr. J. Reid, Mr. B. Wynn, Mr. D. K. Blair, Mr. A. K. Henderson, Mr. D. Harvey, Mr. A. K. MacArthur. During dinner the toasts and the happy hour were brought in to the accompaniment of a piping skirl of the pipes and when everybody was ready to embark upon the final item on the menu (an address) the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald was called upon to give the chief toast of the evening—The Immortal Memory of Robert Burns.

His response to the invitation was an excellent speech which was warmly applauded. Mr. Macdonald said:—

"On the day of St. George's Day I read in a Press report that a very big gathering included all the prominent people in the Colony and a number of Scots. Not having myself made one of that prominent company, even as a Scot, I experienced naturally a sense of regret and humiliation. Indeed had this evening followed close upon that other I should have felt it to address this distinguished company of fellow countrymen as 'fellow outsiders' would have been the correct expression. However, a sufficient interval has elapsed to enable me to recover a modicum of that self-esteem which is supposed, erroneously, to be inherent in our race. So Sir, when your commands, courteously enigmatically as a request, were laid upon me, I plucked up heart as a loyal clansman, however humble to obey, heartened by thinking me that the least I have the honor to submit is to the memory of one who was something of an expert at pulling down the mighty from their seat, and who did more than any other of his century to impress the transient and far-reaching truth that 'a man's man for a that.' Many another wretch, destitute of siller or of real importance, has drawn an iron tonic for his soul from that inspiring aphorism. I am content to be of their number, and though excluded from the haughty legion of the dragon-slayers to be enrolled with you in the homely order of the thistle.—(Laughter and applause.) Full eight score years have run their course since the lad was born in Kyles where name and fame bring us exiles together here on the verge of far Cathay. The 'Janet' who gave him but a rough hannel. It blew in one gable of the two roomed bungalow which William Burns had reared with his own hands to shelter wife and bairns, so the babe and his mother had to be moved for safety to the house of a neighbor. Mary another bitter blow fell on the life which was thus begun, ere its short course was finished. We may feel moved to regret that his lot was not more smooth, but 'tis a divinity which shape our ends may be believed to know its own business best, and 'tis not likely had Burns been cradled in ease and bred in comfort, that he would ever have spoken as he did and done to the heart of Scottish folk and of mankind."

My memory covers something not so much less than half the considerable period since Robert ceased to live, but I don't recall a time when I could not sing "Scots wha' hae." I remember I used to think the last line of the verse was all word and wonder what it meant—"Or to victory"—which just goes to

show that even before they can read Scottish bairns learn to take Burns's words upon their lips. That was up in the bleak North, but as a youth of 16 I became a dweller in bonnie Dumfries, where the impression of our national poet gathers intensity from local colour recollection.

Mr. Macdonald referred to the memorable tribute paid to the dead poet in Dumfries when Burns' bier was carried from the Courthouse to St. Michael's Kirkyard, the band of the Cinque Ports Cavalry preceding with the Dead March of Handel's hero, the men of that regiment and the Angusshire Fencibles lining the street, and the poet's fellow members of the Volunteer Corps bearing the coffin and following behind. He recalled—not with any view to invidious comparison—that three years earlier his great musical contemporary, W. A. Mozart, was buried at a similar age, also after a life of ill-rewarded struggle, and splendid Vienna sent but two followers to the unknown grave which no man could identify to this day.

THE PEOPLE'S POET.  
Burns was of the people and from first to last the people loved him. His first published volume was rapidly and eagerly bought up, by all classes of the community, including ploughmen and maid servants, who, it was said, would even go short of meal, needed new garments to possess themselves of a copy. That first venture only put some £20 in his pocket but it was twice as much as Milton ever got for "Paradise Lost" and few first volumes by an unknown poet had ever paid the costs of publication. More to the purpose, the sum was sufficient to keep the young writer from flying in despair to the West Indies as he had planned, which would have been a calamity indeed.

"It has been claimed," Mr. Macdonald continued, "that it was reserved for William Pitt, an Englishman of the English, to recognize during Burns' lifetime his place as a great poet, and that then the Scottish critics stopped hailing him as a rustic prodigy. Let the great statesman be given his honour due, but the article in the *Edinburgh Review* in which Henry Mackenzie introduced Burns to the literary world shows that Pitt's perception was not unique. Mackenzie is said to have been for long the Nestor of literary Edinburgh, and he wrote there of Burns: 'If I am not greatly deceived, I think I may safely pronounce him a genius of no ordinary rank.' He goes on to disclaim explicitly the idea of commending the poet chiefly on the ground of his lowly circumstances, and affirms that his work on its own merits is 'fully entitled to command our feeling and to obtain our applause.' The article, which is a really valuable and discriminating piece of criticism, concludes with the confident hope that Scotland will 'stretch out her hand to cherish and retain this native poet' and I need not see him compelled to seek support and shelter 'under West Indian skies.' In that expectation Mackenzie proved right, Scotland not only stretched out her hand to her illustrious son, but took him to her heart and there has cherished him with ever growing warmth."

MEN OF SENTIMENT.  
"We Scots," proceeded Mr. Macdonald, "find in Burns a presentment of ourselves in aspects which we know are authentic though greatly differing from the conventional conception which have been adopted concerning us. What these are we are never allowed long to forget. The most recent reminder I happen to have seen is from Dean Inge: 'Canny, thrifty, fond of metaphysics and slow to understand a joke'; such, says the Dean, is the current conception of the Scot.—(Laughter.) Whether he adopts it or not he does not say, nor does it matter: there is another side to Scottish character, in which calculation makes way for glorious abandon and coldness disappears in the warm glow of romances. To confirm my words I need go no further than this table. These serious taipans, sony sugar-boilers, esse haunted doctors, case hardened engineers—they're men of sentiment every one, and you need but sing them one of Robert's love lilt to send them back to the days when they used to go linking with their joes by the banks of Doon, the brays o' Balgiddie, the palm

gardens of Greenock or the pavements of Kelvingrove.—(Applause.) Not a man of them will deny my soft impeachment. All will agree that *ingenium perfrigidum* which is said to possess our race finds other expressions than the thrifty, the metaphysical, and the matter of fact, and that aspect of its manifestation was incarnate in Robert Burns."

The ardor, the speaker went on, accounted for much in Burns' writing that had puzzled, and even offended the less enthusiastic natures. He had the artist's power to project himself into varied situations, and in them he was wont to utter himself with an intensity of which few were capable, which was often misunderstood, and which it had to be admitted, often bore him beyond bounds. But happily of recent years he had come to be better understood in that respect and in many others. It was putting it mildly to say that the poet was unfortunate in many of his early biographers who were too busy drawing sober-sided warnings from his career to wit with sufficient care the accumulated mischief which came to their ears, and which it is difficult to find in fact. For instance how often had it been repeated that Burns had a passion for music, and could scarcely tell one tune from another. It was impossible to believe that the man who set some of the loveliest lyrics in literature to words from which they could never be parted could be what the Scots called "timid." So it was no surprise when it was later learned that he had a fine ear for melody, and could pick a tune out on the fiddle.

"Oh wert thou in the fiddle-bone, On yonder brae on yonder lea, My plaidie, to the angry air, I'd shelter thee, I'd shelter thee, Gie the pronounced Burns the first of lyrics, and his weighty judgment had never been reversed. Had Burns it was nothing else his place among the immortals would have been assured by the copious flow of perfect song enshrining every emotion known to the gentle pathos of 'John Anderson my Joe' to the heart-wringing lament addressed to 'Mary in Heaven' and while men and women had learned to sing, they would always not sing Burns, but they would love him."

NO UNTAUGHT YOKEL.  
"I see," said Mr. Macdonald, "that some-one has just published a book to prove that Burns was an educated man. There may be some need for such a document, but it can only be among those who have accepted upon hearsay the notion that he was an untaught country yokel. No ignorant man could have written such a style as his, or used with such precision such a vocabulary. It is true that he was born into a home where knowledge had to be acquired with a book in one hand and a spoon in the other, a spoon mark you, for they were perforce vegetarians and they knew not chopsticks. But knowledge was acquired. Burns detested scholastic pretentiousness. He often chafed under the patronising air of men whom he knew to be his intellectual inferiors. As usual he over-expressed himself on the subject."

"A set of dull conceited haules, Confuse their brains in college classes They gang in stirk and come out asses, Plain truth to speak; And then they think to climb Parnassus By dint o' Greek. Gie me as speak o' Nature's first That's a' the learning I desire."

As a fact that was not all the learning he desired, nor indeed by a long way possessed. But his writing in a mood and carried away on his Pegasus' back, as a poet ought to be, and for true learning Burns had all due respect, and wished he had had more of it. The same is to be said as to religion, and having said that I will not enlarge on the well worn theme of Burns' fierce quarrel with the unorthodox of his day. It is a pity the quarrel was so fierce for it left much ill blood behind, which has not even yet wholly disappeared. Burns knew and admitted that he went too far, and no one denies that he had provoked. But the publican thanking God that he is not as this Pharisee is not an edifying sight, and while Burns' words may sometimes make him appear to present the thing itself is far from his spirit.

Social pretentiousness again was at least as obnoxious to Burns as the scholastic or religious. His scorn of the merely titled, rich or powerful is unmitigated, and only explicable in light of the fact that in those days the great held the small very much in their power, and power such as that is bound to be much abused."

BURNS' VOICES.  
As to Burns' voice, of which so much is said it is at least as true as in other things his verses on that subject make the worst of him. It is not fair to dwell upon his lapses and say nothing of his remedies, which were bitter and sincere. For my part I think it is too often overlooked that the groans and constant overtoil of his early youth prompted a reaction

## CHINA NEW YEAR.

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR FAIR.

This year, new arrangements are being made for the China New Year Bazaar. Last year, stalls were not allowed outside the old Fire Station in Queen's Road, as difficulty was encountered in getting out the engines. This year, no stalls will be permitted on either side of Queen's Road from Wandoo to Saiyungpoo.

This means that practically the whole of Queen's Road will be clear for traffic. With this exception there will be no change, the fair being located in Jarvis Street, Bonham Strand East and the side streets in the vicinity.

## QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

## PROSPECTUS FOR 1923.

From the Headmaster has arrived a copy of the prospectus for 1923 of Queen's College which is now 60 years old and is, to judge from the outline of activities given, still emulating the progressive policy of a well known stimulant twice its age. The prospectus furnishes much information of interest to parents as to the equipment of the College, its system in regard to examinations, prizes and scholarships, the syllabi adopted, and the institution's doings in the realm of sport.

Into such course pleasures as were to be had. All work and a play make Jack a dull boy, but such as Rob they undoubtedly tempt into the ransing and roving with which he charges himself. Think of him starved in mind and not over well nourished in body, conscious of great gifts and the air of high ambitions, groping, as he says, like a blind cyclops around his cave; remember that with it all he lived on the whole a life of "tolerance duty, and sought contentment amid all aberrations in its homely round. The tear of sympathy, we must surely hold, better befits the best of us than does the phrase of censure over the life of a great, a loving and much tried man."

I have not touched upon the wider fields suggested by the ardent social sympathies of our Scottish bard, for one can touch on every expression of his many-sided personality. But here, in a Colony where men of all races meet in the intercourse of commerce, it is fitting to remember that our Scottish bard had a heart for all mankind and a vision for his future which shines with hope, albeit all the manifold uncertainties of our difficult time.

"Then let us pray that come it may, As come it will for a' that, Than man to man the world o'er Shall brothers be an' a' that."

The toast was then honoured.

## SCOTTISH LITERATURE.

In the course of an interesting address on "Scottish Literature" Mr. B. Wylie said:—

To the man in the street, Scottish literature is often, summed up in Sir Walter Scott and Robert Burns. These two were transcendent geniuses far apart from other literary Scots. They were both very much indebted to the earlier Scottish poets and prose writers. Mr. Wylie interestingly outlined the history of Scottish literature from the 13th century up to the time of Robert Ferguson the Edinburgh poet, whom Burns regarded as his own forerunner in Scottish verse.

"And so we come to Burns and Scott," Mr. Wylie continued. "In Sir Walter Scott, we have our greatest Scottish prose writer, although he was at the same time no mean hand at poetry. Using as his main background the stirring history of his native land, his pictures of past times were truer than the ponderous efforts of the prosy historians. As Carlyle has said, he taught all men this truth, that the bygone ages of the world were actually filled with living men."

"Burns' work for Scotland was primarily to revivify and concentrate the national sentiment. At a period when the feeling of nationality was in danger of extinction, he not only saved it but succeeded in glorifying and idealising it. He was truly the National Bard and posterity has sustained this verdict." (Applause.)

During the evening some of the old Scotch songs were sung by Messrs. McLeod and Paterson and Mr. Grey's quartette. Capital stories enhanced the reputations as raconteurs of the Rev. Mr. Rorison and the Hon. Mr. Gorman. The latter, at the conclusion, remarked that he was in all probability the only guest present, and he wished to thank the Chairman for presiding, Mr. Macdonald for a delightful address, and Mr. Wylie for his synopsis of Scottish literature. The toast was drunk with gusto.

"And Lang Syne," was rendered in the time-honoured fashion before the gathering dispersed.

## FOOTBALL.

## NOTES AND COMMENT.

## TO-MORROW'S GAMES.

## INTERPORT TRIAL.

Club ground 4 p.m.

## BLUE v. WHITES.

## LEAGUE SECOND DIVISION.

Police v. Titania, Sookumpoo "B" ground.

St. Joseph's v. South China "B." St. Joseph's ground.

United v. Warders, United ground.

Kowloon v. Durban, Navy "A" ground.

University v. South China "A," Sookumpoo "A" ground.

Kick-off at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

The following are the teams for the Interport trial.

Blues:—Hill, Gerrard and Chan So; Hudson, Stewart and Barlow; Chu Kwong Yung, Forsyth, Begg, Dr. Valentine and Chan Kwong Yui.

Whites:—Swan; Wynne and Grant; McLaren, Forbes and Leung Yuk Ting; Omar, Ip Kau, Burnett, Valentine and England.

Owing to the second Interport trial taking place to-morrow there will not be any First Division matches.

On paper the trial teams look much more even than the last ones were. Blues are slightly stronger, but the Whites will have Wynne at right back and Swan in goal. The latter is likely to have more work to do than he had a fortnight ago.

I expect the Selection Committee will practically decide on their team to-morrow night but it is difficult to know how they can, in view of Shanghai's previous views on its composition and the fact that nothing further has been heard from them since.

I see that Ladies will be admitted free into the stands to-morrow. One wonders why in view of the Association's decision at their last meeting that all should pay.

There is no definite news of when the Shanghai team will be here but it is sincerely hoped they will arrive in time to play the Interport match on Chinese New Year Day.

There are only five Second Division games down for to-morrow. That between the College and Chinese "B" should be interesting. The former have still a chance to be runners up in this Division but they will find the Chinese are a well balanced team and they will have to go all out to win. I expect to see the game end in a draw.

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To pay a bonus of \$2 per share absorbing ..... 100,000.00

To transfer to reserve fund ..... 300,000.00

To pay a bonus to directors, holders of founders' shares and the staff ..... 63,092.97

To write off Bank premises land and building accounts ..... 5,543.11

To write off branch organization expenses ..... 4,000.00

To carry forward ..... 138,937.18

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The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming who retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

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## WEATHER REPORT

January 26d. 12h. 35m.—Pressure has increased slightly at the majority of reporting stations.

The anticyclone remains central to the north of the lower Yangtze Valley.

There is no information to hand concerning the Yap typhoon. It may have curved to northward.

Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today, 7.0" inch. Total since January 1st, 0.13 inch against an average of 1.02 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon, January 1st, 1953.

1—Formosa Channel. N.E. winds, strong.

2—South coast of China between Jaoeng-nag and Lamooka. N.E. wind, fresh; fine.

3—Peninsular to Gap Rock. N.E. wind, fresh; fine.

4—South coast of China between Jaoeng-nag and Hainan. N.E. winds, fresh; fine.

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DAILY WEATHER REPORT

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JANUARY 26, 1923.—a.m.						
Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Force. Weather.
Vladivostok	8	30.48	4	1	W	5
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Roshi	8	...	...	...	W	5
Kasasaki	8	...	...	...	W	5
Koroshima	8	...	...	...	W	5
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Sakima	8	...	...	...	W	5
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Pesadores	...	...	30.16	57	...	NE	8
Canton	...	...	30.76	42	83	N	5
Hongkong	...	...	30.11	49	66	N	5
Jap Krok	...	...	30.13	...	...	N	5
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Manila	11	20	85	68	73	N	1
Luzon	11	20	85	68	73	N	1
Palawan	11	20	85	68	73	N	1

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Yap	4.47	—	—	—	—	—
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C. W. JEFFRIES, *Director*  
Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 28, 1885  
1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees  
Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea

3. HUMIDITY. in percentage of saturation the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

5. FORCE OF WIND, according  
Beaufort Scale.  
6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky  
detached cloud, d drizzling rain,  
g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o over-

7. RAIN in inches tenths and hundredths.

Previous day at 7 a.m.	On date at 6 a.m.	On date at 2 p.m.
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Barometer ...	30.13	31.81	30.
Temperature	43	49	60
Humidity ...	58	69	44
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Wind.....	3	2	2
Force .....	b	b	b
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Rain.....			

Highest open air Temperature on the 21st  
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The Time Ball on Bowditch Signal is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. except on Saturdays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. The Ball is hoisted half mast at

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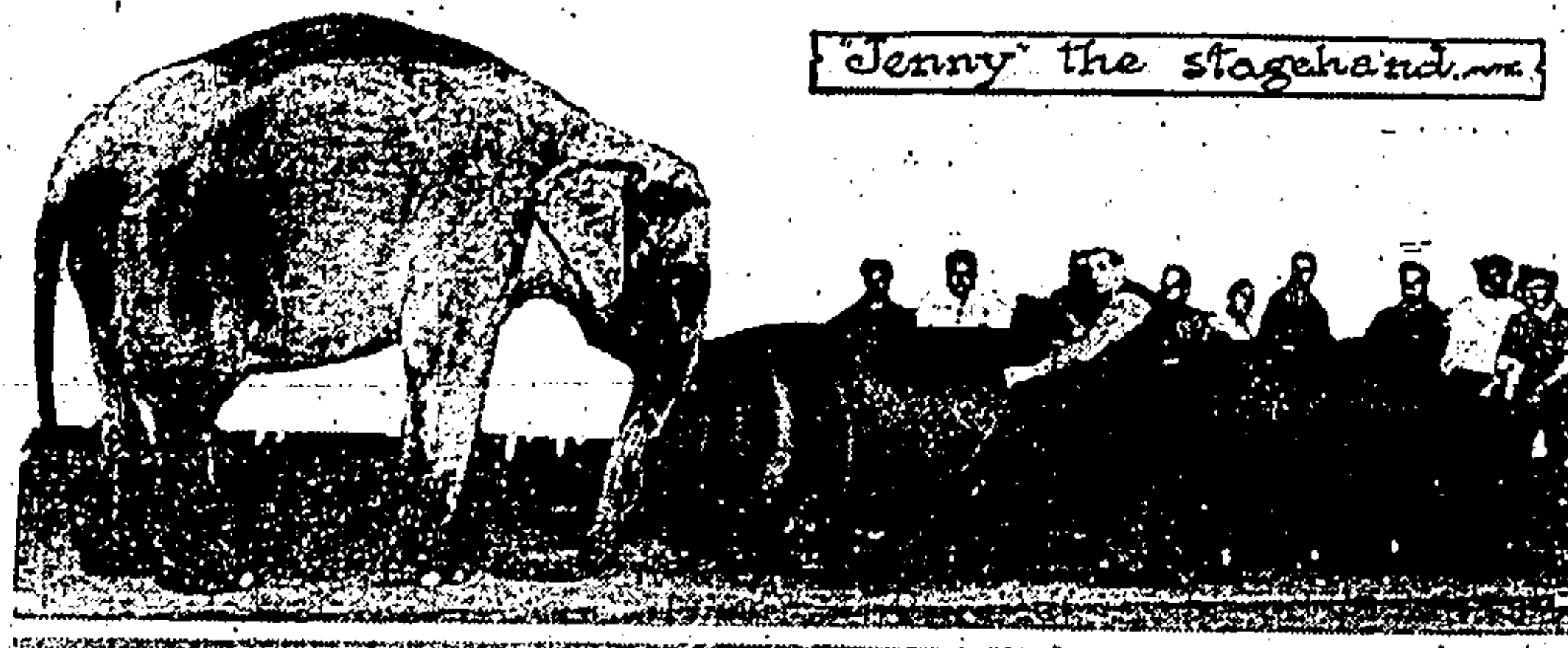


Eugene V. Brewster & Virgil Brewster

Eugene V. Brewster, millionaire publisher of motion picture magazines, is being sued for separation by his wife, who asks \$18,000 yearly alimony. Mrs. Brewster alleges that her husband has fallen in love with Corliss Palmer, one-time cigar counter clerk who won a beauty contest Brewster staged. They have publicly admitted their love for each other.



Professor Ralph French is the principal figure in a bigamy case that has aroused New Jersey. He was arrested while on his honeymoon, with Mrs. Frances Tyack French, on charges preferred by Mrs. Helen Bryant French, who declares she is his legal wife No. 1 and that he has never obtained a divorce. His brother, Andrew French, school principal is held as an accessory to the alleged bigamous marriage.



Jenny the stagehand

The New York Hippodrome elephant "Jenny" being instructed how to remove 'props' and clear the stage. Ordinarily 64 men are required to spread this mat, which "Jenny" spread all by herself.

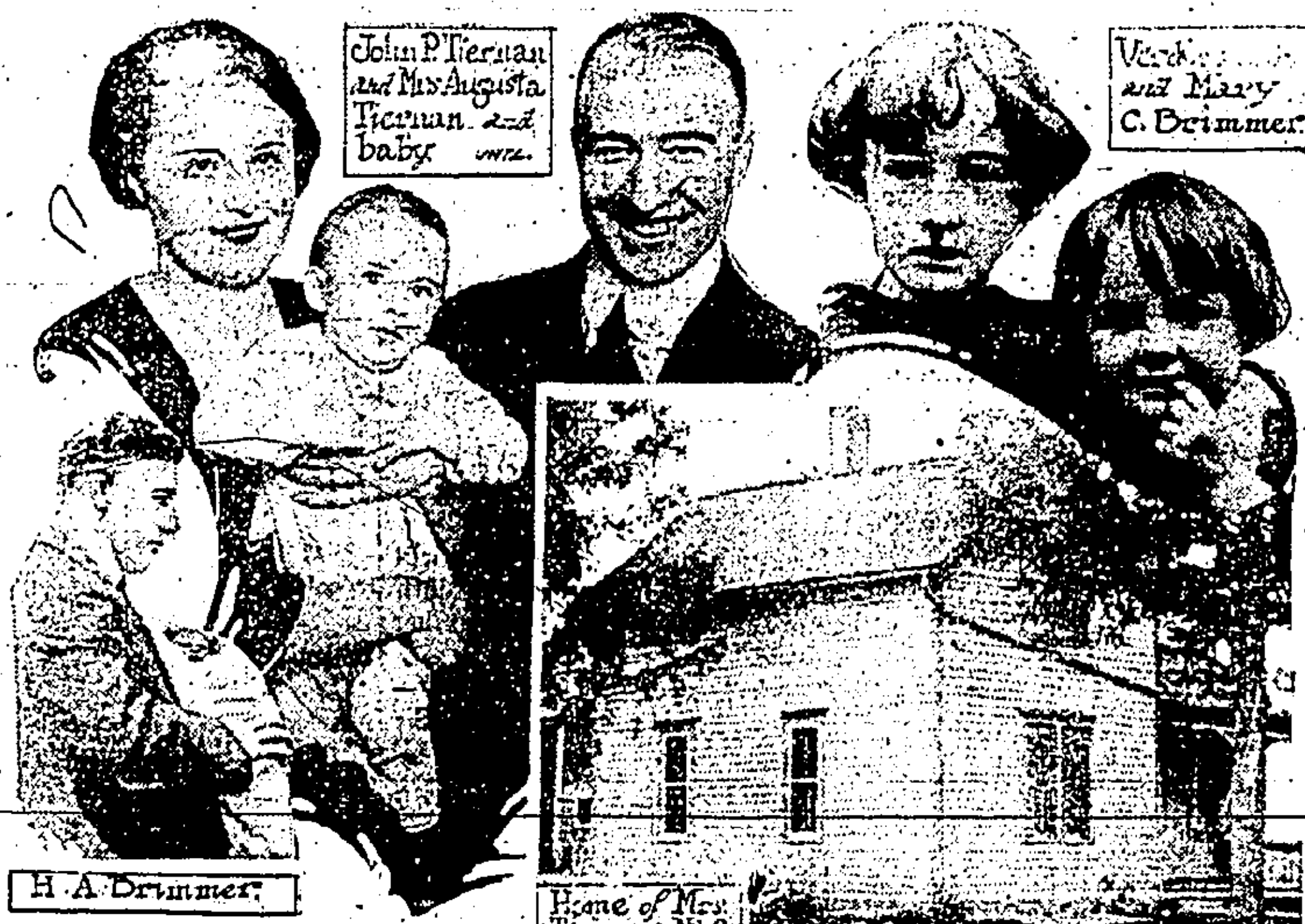


Admiral Vogelgesang

Rear Admiral Carl Vogelgesang, of the American Navy, who has been officially "loaned" to Brazil to aid that nation in reorganizing her naval forces.



This beautiful tablet has just been unveiled in the College of Stanislas, France, to the memory of France's most daring fighting aviator, Guyonmer, who met death in an aerial combat.



Professor John P. Tiernan, formerly professor of law in Notre Dame University, Indiana, whose marital affairs are again arousing interest. Following Tiernan's charge that Harry Poulin, a haberdasher, was the father of Mrs. Tiernan's last baby, he divorced Mrs. Tiernan and immediately married Mrs. Blanche Rash Brimmer, of Iowa. The Court that granted the first divorce to Tiernan immediately annulled it, and Tiernan returned to wife No. 1 and admitted paternity of the child. Mrs. Tiernan No. 2 returned to her home. Her second husband is shown holding their baby, Mary Catherine Brimmer, now three years old. Verdie Rash is a daughter of Mrs. Tiernan No. 2 by her first marriage. Tiernan now faces a sanity test.



Frank G. Warren

Frank G. Warren, prominent Kansas City lawyer, who, it is said, will marry Miss Nancy Jordan, the comely young English woman, who has been permitted to enter America, with her three-year-old son, as the guest of Warren's divorced and wealthy wife. The report comes from Kansas City that Warren may marry the young woman.



Frank Wingren

Frank Wingren owes his life to the prompt action and skill of his sister, head nurse in the Brockton Hospital. His neck was broken when he fell from the bow of a steamer. His sister took charge of the case, when doctors practically gave up hope, and brought him out of danger.

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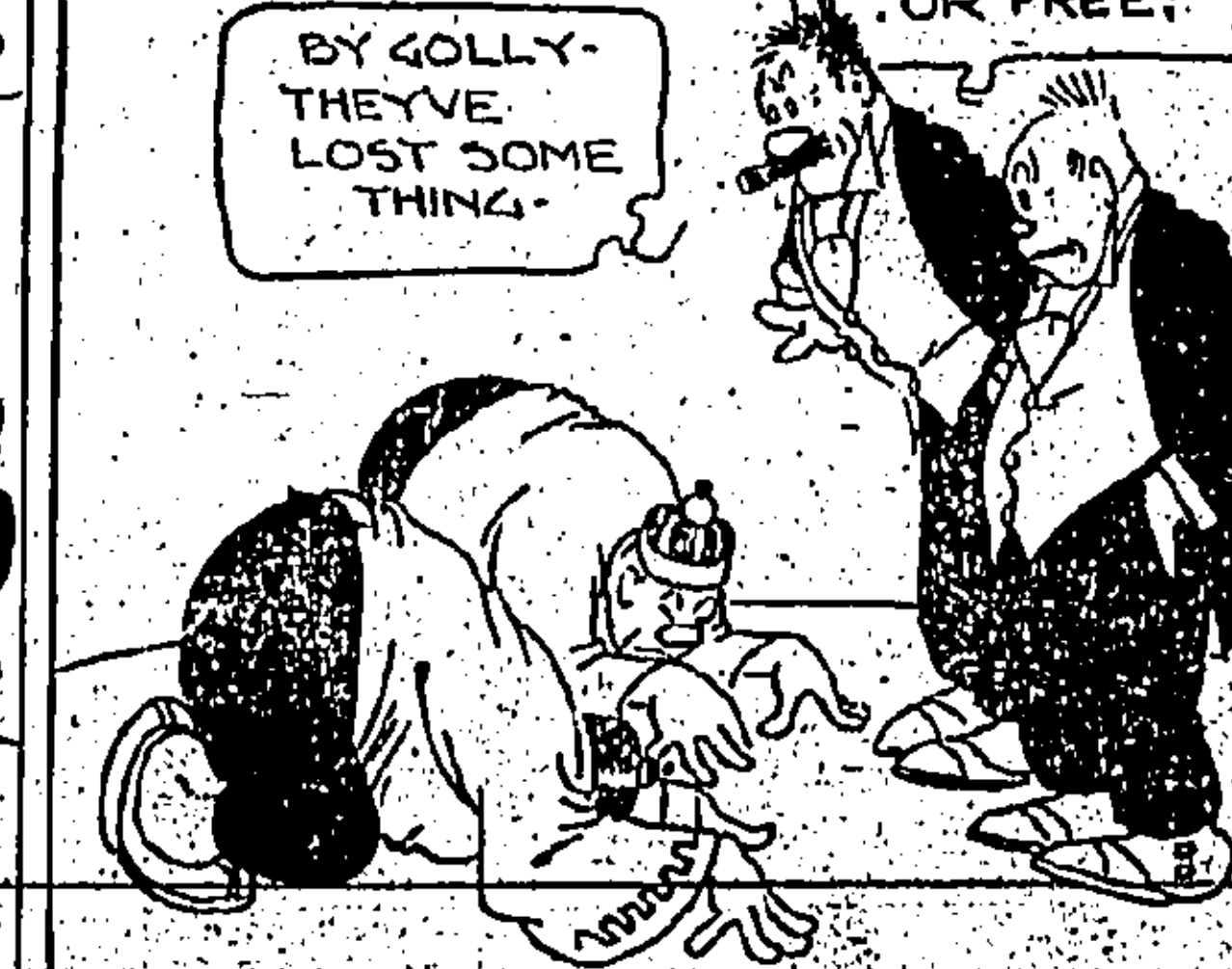
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NOW WHAT'S  
THE MATTER?



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